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RA CY US (AHEPA DELEGATION)

SUBJECT: AHEPA DELEGATION VISIT TO CYPRUS

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1. AHEPA DELEGATION ARRIVED UK AKROTIRI SOVEREIGN BASE AREA (SBA) OCTOBER 2, AT 2:00 PM. MET BY MFA ACTING PROTOCOL CHIEF (KYPRIANOU), GOC DISTRICT OFFICER LIMASSOL, EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER GRAHAME, AND BASE COMMANDER. USIS PHOTOGRAPHED ARRIVAL AND RELIEF GOODS UNLOADING. GROUP ARRIVED NICOSIA FOR 4:30 PM MEETING WITH ACTING PRESIDENT CLERIDES. HOUR LONG MEETING FOLLOWED BY INFORMAL BRIEFING BY AMBASSADOR AND STAFF AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. DINNER AT LOCAL PRESTIGE RESTAURANT HOSTED BY MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL INSURANCE, PANIKOS SIVITANIDES, AND ATTENDED BY SENIOR GOC OFFICIALS.

3. MORNING OCTOBER 3 DELEGATION MET BRIEFLY WITH MINISTER OF HEALTH DIRECTOR GENERAL, AT THEIR REQUEST, TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR WAR VICTIMS. MOTORCADE TO UNCLASSIFIED

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LARNACA, ACCOMPANIED BY KYPRIANOU, GEORGE IACOVOU, DIRECTOR,

SPECIAL SERVICES FOR THE CARE AND REHABILITATION OF DISPLACED PERSONS; SAVVAS ANTONIOU, CYPRUS CHIEF OF POLICE; EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER; USAID RELIEF OFFICER KOSHELEFF. RECEIVED IN LARNACA BY MAYOR, DISTRICT OFFICER AND ASSORTED OFFICIALS, INCLUDING LOCAL MILITARY COMMANDER. ROUND OF BRIEF SPEECHES FOLLOWED IN MAYORS OFFICE.

3. MOTORCADE TO THREE REFUGEE CENTERS ACCOMPANIED BY: DISTRICT OFFICERS OF FAMAGUSTA AND LARNACA, MAYOR OF LARNACA AND MAYOR OF FAMAGUSTA AND ASSORTED LOCAL OFFICIALS. CAMPS VISITED INCLUDED: ORMIDHIA, XYLOTYMBOU AND AKHNA FOREST IN DHEKELIA SBA. LUNCH AT LARNACA HOTEL HOSTED BY MAYOR. BRIEF REMARKS BY DELEGATION, HOST, AND AID RELIEF OFFICER.

4. RETURNING TO NICOSIA, AHEPA PARTY CALLED ON VICE PRESIDENT DANKTASH, WHO HAD MADE HIMSELF AVAILABLE AT OUR REQUEST DESPITE PRESSING OTHER APPOINTMENTS. MEETING WITH DENKTASH, WHICH LASTED ONE HOUR, ALSO ATTENDED BY MINISTER DEFENSE OSMAN OREK AND I KOTAK, MEMBER FOR LABOR AND SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES. MEETING WAS TAPED BY BOTH SIDES.

5. AT 5:30 PM AT AHEPA REQUEST, DELEGATION MET WITH RELIGIOUS AND SECULAR LEADERS OF THE CYPRUS ARMENIAN COMMUNITY. HILTON PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWED AT 6:00 PM WITH LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL REPORTERS PRESENT. FROM PRESS CONFERENCE, DELEGATES WENT TO AMBASSADOR'S COCKTAIL PARTY AT RESIDENCE. GUESTS INCLUDED GOC MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL INSURANCE, SENIOR GOC OFFICIALS, PUBLISHERS, NEWS MEDIA OFFICIALS AS WELL AS LOCAL UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES REPRESENTATIVE AND MRS SOULIOTOU, PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS RED CROSS. DELEGATION THEN WENT ON TO HOUR-LONG FAREWELL MEETING WITH ACTING PRESIDENT CLERIDES, LEAVING NICOSIA AROUND 10:00 PM, WITH TAKE OFF FROM AKROTIRI ABOUT MIDNIGHT.

6. CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION FILM AND SOUND CREW ACCOMPANIED DELEGATION THROUGHOUT AND PRESENTED GROUP WITH VIDEOTAPE PRIOR DEPARTURE. ZACHARY GEANEAS, AMEMB ATHENS ADMIN COUNSELOR, ACCOMPANIED DELEGATES AND PLAYED HELPFUL ROLE.

7. DELEGATION LEFT PLEASED WITH WHAT THEY DESCRIBED AS
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WELL-ORGANIZED, FULL, AND USEFUL PROGRAM.

8. ANALYSIS OF IMPACT OF VISIT ON AHEPA FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.
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